



March 6, 2024

Dear Chair Hornstein and Members of the Transportation Committee:

Metro Cities, representing the collective interests of cities in the metropolitan area, appreciates the opportunity to comment on HF 4268 (Sencer-Mura), which is being heard in the Transportation Committee on Thursday.

Metro Cities supports the early engagement of local governments in transit project planning and development including project scoping, cost estimating, funding requests, and coordination with overlapping initiatives. This robust engagement and comprehensive scoping will ensure that important accessibility improvements and transit priority infrastructure costs are accounted for as regional, state, and federal funds are requested. HF 4268 provides local governments with the assurance that these project elements will be included in the scopes for future lines as the METRO bus rapid transit system continues to grow.

Thank you for your consideration of this letter. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Michael Lund'. The signature is fluid and cursive.

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